

## World Autism Month: How IAble Can Help

Each April, World Autism Month is celebrated to spread awareness about autism and help individuals with the disability reach their full potential. One in 44 children and one in 45 adults have autism, which is a much larger number of people than most might think! Creating a world that celebrates differences and promotes acceptance is something that can be fulfilled by anyone – not just those with autism and their support systems.

At my office, we help individuals with autism reach their full potential by providing a means for them to achieve financial independence and save for expenses to help improve their quality of life. Having a disability shouldn't mean individuals lose out on the ability to save. In fact, individuals with disabilities have a higher cost of living than the general population, especially with medical bills and support service fees. Meaning they, more than anyone, need a vehicle to save.

With IAble, they can! Eligible Individuals can save beyond the assets caps for federal assistance programs and still receive that supplemental source of income. The funds in an ABLE account can be spent on services and goods that make living with autism more manageable, such as support programs in K-12, caretaker fees, speech therapy, assistive technology and more.

If you know someone with autism who could benefit from an IAble account, let them know about the Plan! Together, we can help those with disabilities achieve their version of a better life experience.